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SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.125

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.125, Applicants submit herewith a substitute specification in addition to the English translation of the application filed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §371. Applicants submit that it is clear that the amendments made to the specification would make it difficult to examine unless a substitute specification were provided. However, no new matter is added by way of the substitute specification. The changes are purely grammatical and adapt more standard United States patent language. The invention described herein is identical to that described in the priority documents.

In addition, the claim language has been changed to comply with United States claim format. All multiple dependent claims have been changed to depend only from a single claim. The language "wherein" has been substituted for "characterized in that" in accordance with United States practice. Moreover, the passive verbs have been changed to active verbs.

Respectfully submitted,

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